

American Born Chinese Essay Rubric

Introduction/ Conclusion (5 points)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - interesting, sophisticated opening that smoothly transitions into context - thorough, necessary, relevant plot context - conclusion clearly, thoroughly summarizes the claims of your paper <p style="text-align: center;">5 Points</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - interesting opening that relates to context in rest of introduction - adequate amount of plot context given - conclusion adequately summarizes the claims of your paper <p style="text-align: center;">4 Points</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - opening introduces general topic but lacks interesting elements - only covers minimal plot context - conclusion somewhat summarizes the claims your paper <p style="text-align: center;">3 Points</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - confusing opening that doesn't relate to context - little to no plot context - conclusion summary missing key claims of paper <p style="text-align: center;">2 Points</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - introduction is incomprehensible or utterly fails to present the background and context for the thesis - conclusion is incomprehensible and fails to summarize the claims of the paper <p style="text-align: center;">0-1 Point</p>
Thesis/ Persuasive Claim (5 points)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - clear position identified and explained - insightful topic - insightful claim about topic, showing understanding of a theme <p style="text-align: center;">5 Points</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - position identified with minimal explanation - topic identified - clear, accurate claim about topic, showing some understanding of theme <p style="text-align: center;">4 Points</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - position somewhat clearly identified - topic implied simplistic sentence structure - identifiable claim about topic, showing some understanding of theme <p style="text-align: center;">3 Points</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - unclear position - topic is unclear - unclear, cliché claim about topic, showing inadequate understanding of theme <p style="text-align: center;">2 Points</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - missing position - topic is missing or inaccurate - illogical or missing claim about topic <p style="text-align: center;">0-1 Point</p>
Evidence and Explanation (10 points)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - clear, thorough examples of support that directly proves and is related to topic sentence and thesis - clear, concise explanation that thoroughly explains how evidence proves the claim of that paragraph and the thesis <p style="text-align: center;">9-10 Points</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - multiple examples of support that adequately proves and is related to topic sentence and thesis - explanation that adequately explains how evidence proves the claim of that paragraph and the thesis <p style="text-align: center;">8 Points</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - at least 1 example of support that proves and is related to topic sentence and thesis - explanation that somewhat explains how evidence proves the claim of that paragraph and the thesis <p style="text-align: center;">7 Points</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - unclear example of support that somewhat proves and is related to topic sentence or thesis - explanation that unclearly explains how evidence proves the claim of that paragraph and the thesis <p style="text-align: center;">6 Points</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - missing, incomplete, or irrelevant example of support that fails to prove or related to topic sentence or thesis - inaccurate or missing explanation of how evidence proves the claim of that paragraph and the thesis <p style="text-align: center;">0-5 Points</p>